

New & Updated Census Data Tools



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Agenda

- Overview of Census Bureau Programs/Surveys
- Overview of the Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Program
- Census Business Builder
- Census API/CitySDK
- Census.data.gov (CEDSCI)
- Questions

What does the Census Bureau do?

Decennial Census

Every 10 years, Counts Residents

Periodical Surveys

American Housing Survey (2015)

American Community Survey (ACS)

Annual Social, Economic and
Housing data

Other Surveys and Censuses

- ✓ Current Population Survey (CPS)
- ✓ National Crime and Victimization Survey (NCVS)
- ✓ Health Interview Survey (HIS)
- ✓ Consumer Expenditure Survey (CE)
- ✓ Population Estimates
- ✓ Economic Census
- ✓ Census of Governments

The Census Bureau's mission is to serve as the leading source of quality data about the nation's people and economy.

[census.gov/programs-surveys/surveys-programs](https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/surveys-programs)

LED Program

Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Data

- Provides unprecedented detail about America's jobs, workers and local economies.
- Provides longitudinal record of U.S. Employment
- Integrates existing data from state-supplied administrative records on workers and employers
- LED is an integral part of the DOC Open Government Plan to unlock public access to high-value government data

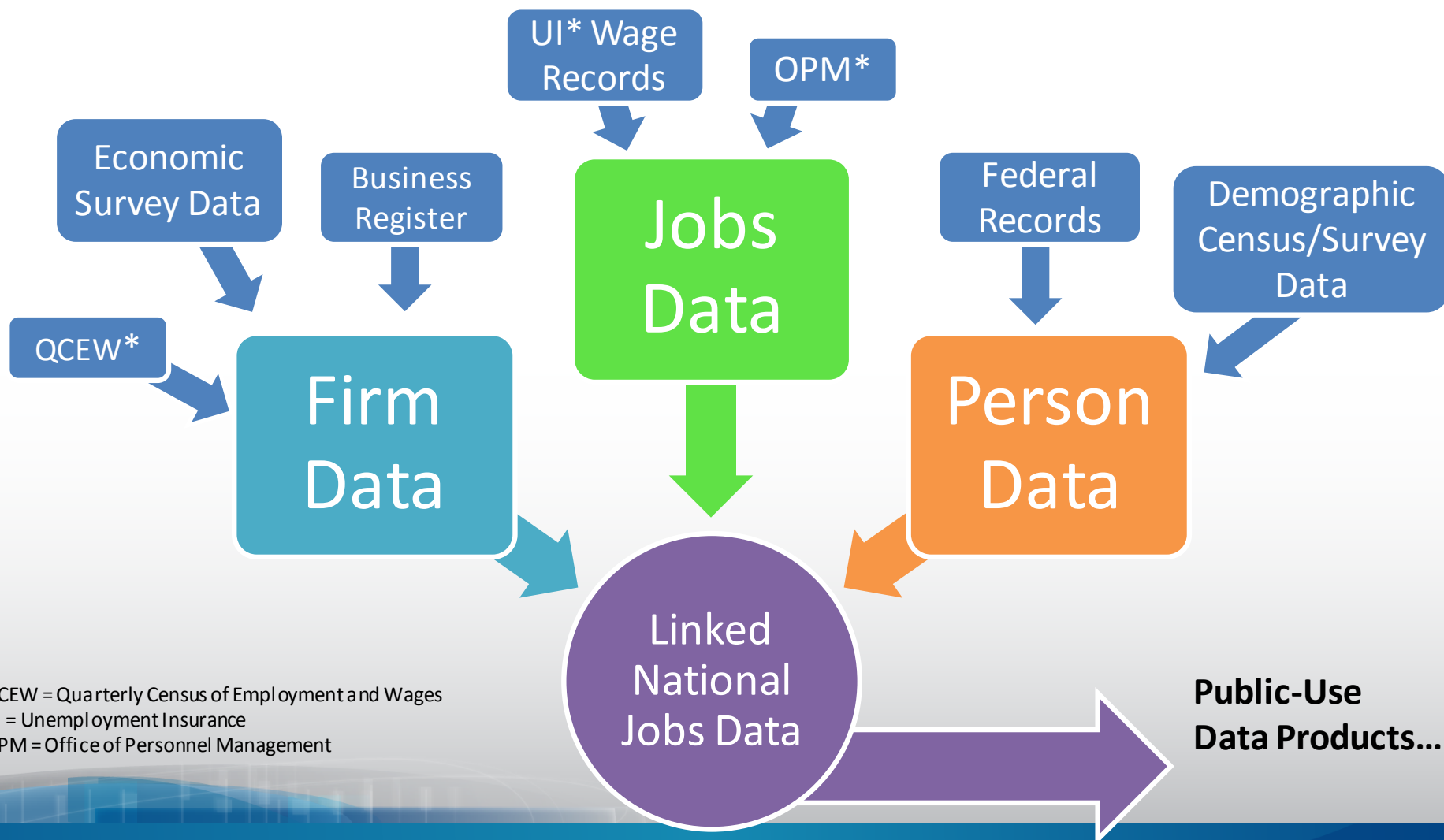
Local Employment Dynamics Partnership

- Then: Local Employment Dynamics (LED)
 - Begun in late 1990s with a few states
 - Goal to generate **new labor market statistics** from existing records (UI and firm info)
- Now: Local Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD)
 - 53 partner states/territories*
 - 3 data products
 - 5 web-based data tools
 - A culture of innovation and cost savings

Building on State Inputs

- We combine **state records** with other admin/census/survey data from the **Census Bureau** and **other Federal agencies**
- We can then create public statistics on:
 - Firms & Establishments
 - Jobs & Workers
 - By Firm and Person Characteristics
- Without new respondent burden

Admin. Records & LEHD Infrastructure



QCEW = Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages
UI = Unemployment Insurance
OPM = Office of Personnel Management

Important to Know

- Contains only UI-covered jobs: no US Post Office, no military jobs, no self-employed, 1099s, *etc.*
- Excludes some secretive 3-letter agencies (NSA, FBI)
- Employment and wages measured at start of Q2
- “Distance” is a straight-distance calculation: reported primary place of work, reported home location. Not on a road network, not a commute measurement
- 2-digit NAICS in the data now; working on 3-digit

Choosing Among LED Data Products

What do you want?	Potential Drawbacks	Data Product
Employment, hires, separations, turnover, or earnings by detailed firm and person characteristics; quarterly time resolution; relatively short data lag	No geography below county; no residential information	QWI
Employment for detailed or customized geography; residential patterns of the workforce; relationship between worker employment and home locations	Annual time resolution; less detailed firm/person characteristics	LODES
Transitions between jobs by timing and firm or worker characteristics; transitions to/from nonemployment	No worker characteristics by firm characteristics (except geography), no geography below states	J2J

Choosing Among LED Data Access Points

Data Product	Explore the data, answer questions, or get visualizations	Bulk data for use in analysis process/software	Live queries for building web applications
QWI	QWI Explorer	LED Extraction Tool Raw data download	Census Bureau API
LODES	OnTheMap OnTheMap for Emergency Management	Raw data download	Future development
J2J	Job-to-Job Explorer	Raw data download	Future Development

Job-to-Job Flows (J2J) Fills Important Data Gap

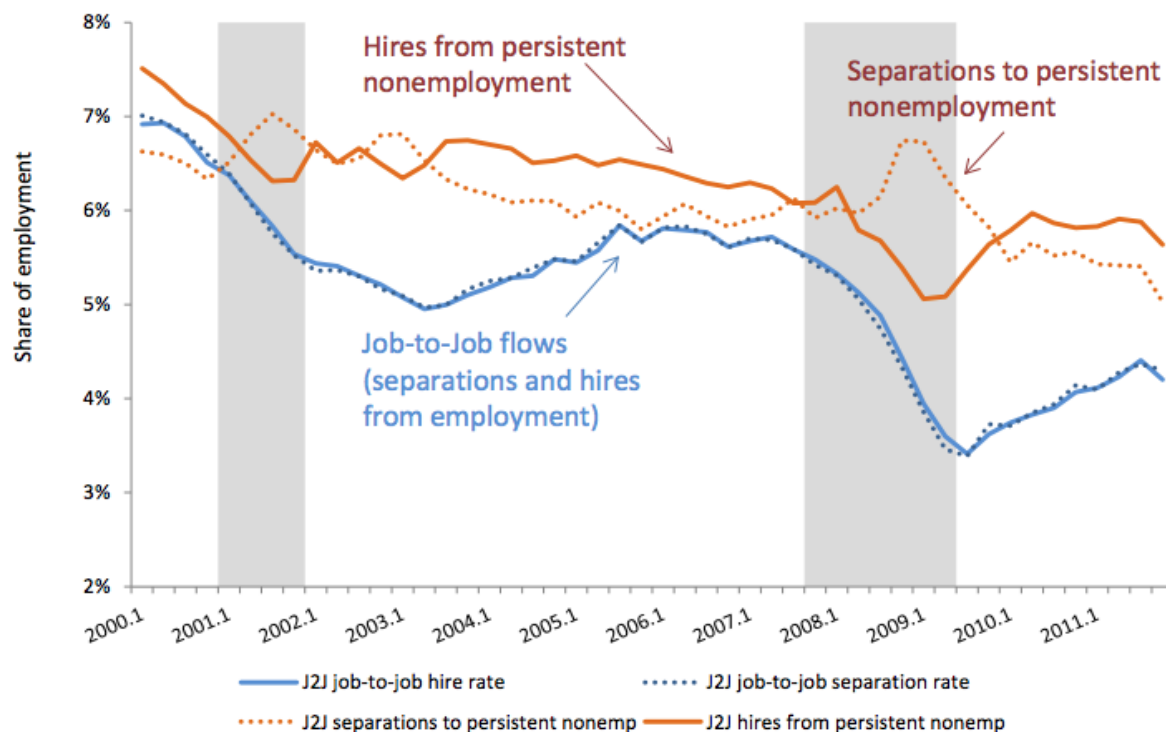
- Job-to-Job Flows is a beta release of new national statistics on job mobility in the U.S.
- With this data, users can learn more about workers entering and exiting nonemployment as well as those moving from one job to another.
- It therefore fills an important gap that other available data sources do not currently cover.

Job-to-Job Flows

- Types of questions that can be answered:
 - How did the growth and decline in construction jobs in the last decade impact the ability of low-wage workers to move to better jobs?
 - Where are workers coming from/going?
- Download data from
http://lehd.ces.census.gov/data/j2j_beta.html

Job-to-Job flows

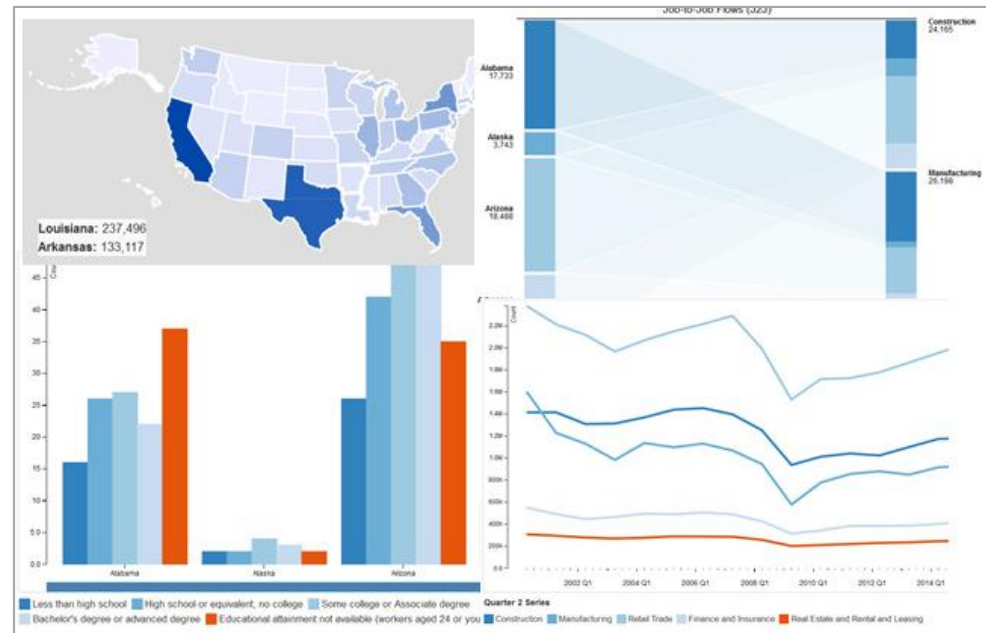
National Job-to-Job (J2J) flows series:



Note: Shaded regions indicate NBER recession quarters. All data are seasonally adjusted. These J2J tabulations do not include planned adjustments to the J2J series to account for partially-missing geography early in the time series.

J2J Explorer

- ✓ 40 Measures of Worker Reallocation
- ✓ Six Visualization Modules with a flexible dashboard interface
- ✓ Export reports to Excel or CSV
- ✓ Trace worker movements through industries, geographic labor markets, and to/from employment
- ✓ Analyze/report by origin and destination geographies: national and state-level tabulations

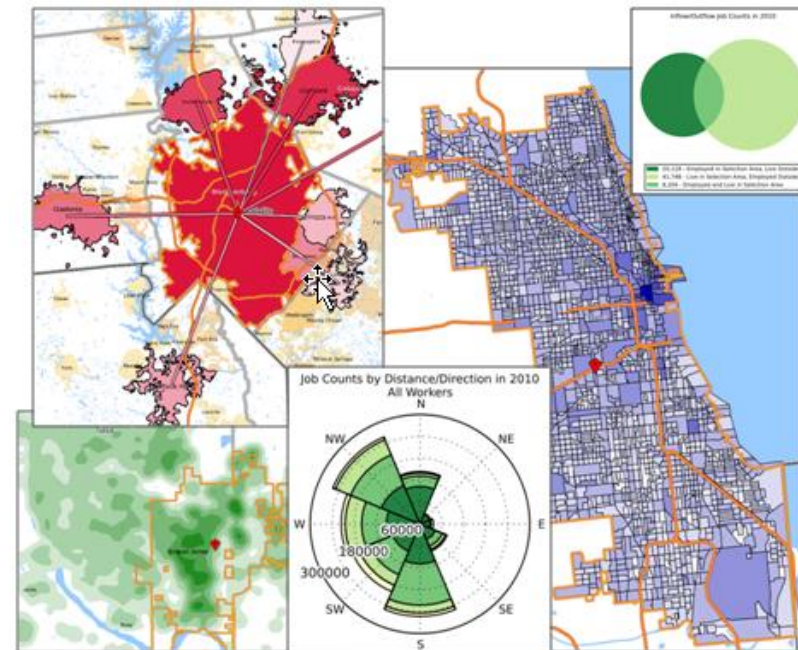


- ✓ Analyze/report by origin and destination firm characteristics: NAICS Sector, firm age, and firm size
- ✓ Analyze/report by worker demographics: age, earnings, race, ethnicity, educational attainment, and sex
- ✓ Data updated every quarter

OnTheMap

Recognized by United Nations as a major
U.S. statistical innovation

- ✓ Where do workers live?
- ✓ Where do residents work?
- ✓ What are the commuter flows of a particular area?
- ✓ Analyze/report by worker demographics: age, earnings, race, ethnicity, educational attainment, and sex
- ✓ Analyze/report by firm characteristics: NAICS Sector, firm age, and firm size



- ✓ 2002-2014 annual data (2015 coming soon!)
- ✓ 50 states available (plus DC)
- ✓ User-selected areas
- ✓ Based on Census Blocks
- ✓ Disclosure protection
- ✓ Flexible Inputs/Outputs

OnTheMap for Emergency Management



Hurricanes, Floods,
Winter Storms



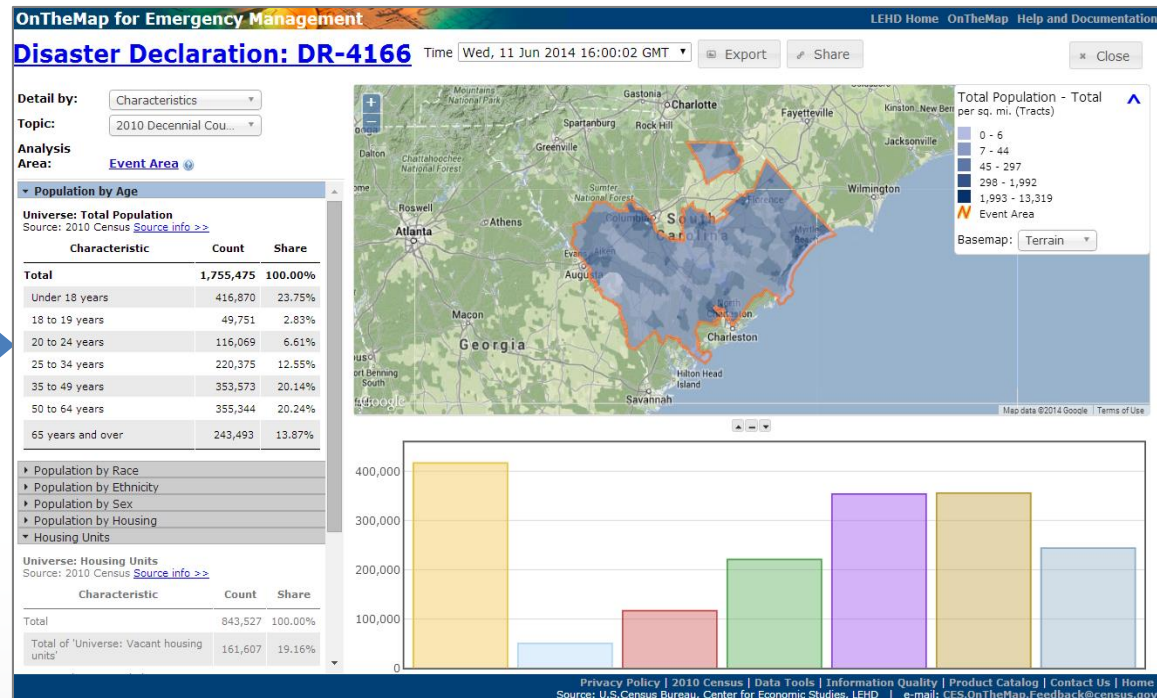
Disaster Areas



Wildfires



Demographic &
Economic Data



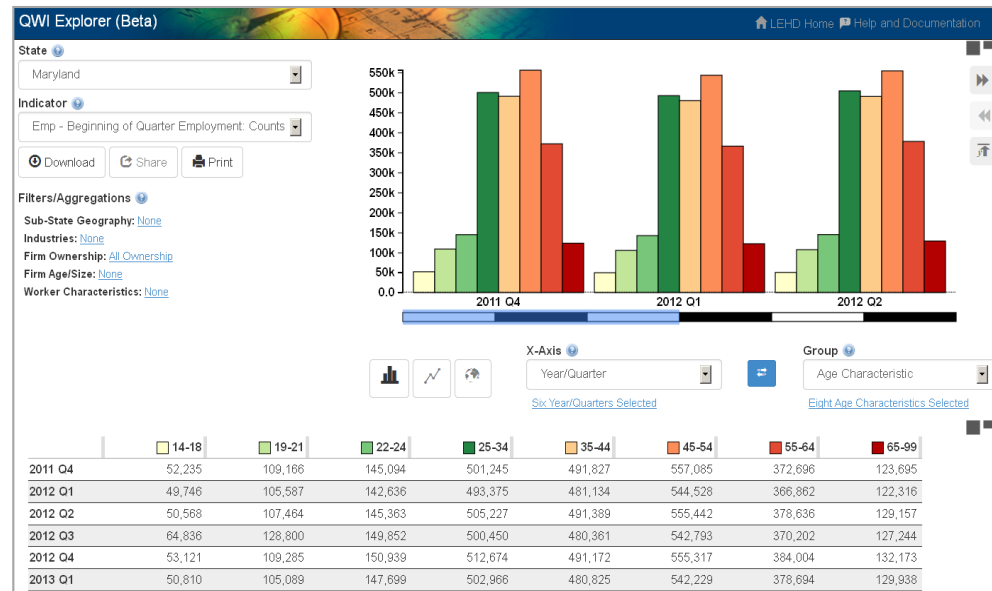
New Public Data Service for Emergency Preparedness & Response

- Comprehensive Reports
- Real-time Data Updates
- Easy-to-use & Interoperable
- Historical Event Archive
- Flexible Analyses & Visualizations



QWI Explorer

- ✓ 32 Quarterly Workforce Indicators
- ✓ Flexible Pivot Table and Map/Chart interface
- ✓ Data on detailed interactions between firms and workers include employment, employment change (individual and firm), and earnings
- ✓ Analyze/report by worker demographics: age, earnings, race, ethnicity, educational attainment, and sex



- ✓ Analyze/report by firm characteristics: NAICS classification (sector, 3, 4), firm age, and firm size
- ✓ Quarterly data very current (9-12 months old)
- ✓ National and 50 states available (plus DC)

Takeaways

- The LED Partnership provides unique workforce information and analysis tools at a relatively low cost
- LED data products (QWI, LODES, J2J) can give insight into **local** and regional economies and labor markets
- LED's web tools provide free, 24/7 access for users to analyze and visualize the data

Web Addresses for Public Data Tools

- QWI Explorer
 - qwiexplorer.ces.census.gov/
- J2J Explorer
 - j2jexplorer.ces.census.gov/
- OnTheMap
 - onthemap.ces.census.gov/
- OnTheMap for Emergency Management
 - onthemap.ces.census.gov/em.html
- LED Extraction Tool
 - ledextract.ces.census.gov/

Useful Links

- **QWI Explorer**
 - [Video Walkthrough](#)
 - [Example Scenarios](#)
- **J2J Explorer**
 - [Analysis Guides](#)
 - [FAQs](#)
- **OnTheMap**
 - [Getting Started](#)
 - [Analysis Guides](#)
 - [Other Tutorials](#)

Other Ways to Access Data

- [ACS Main Page](#)
- [Data Tables and Tools](#)
- [Narrative Profiles](#)
- [QuickFacts](#)
- [CensusExplorer](#)
- [Census Business Builder](#)
- [My Congressional District](#)
- [My Tribal Area](#)
- [American FactFinder](#)
- [Application Programming Interface \(API\)](#)
- [Census Reporter](#)

Census Business Builder

Census Business Builder Guiding Principles

- Easy to use
- Customer focused
- Census data and more
- Leverage existing Census investments and current technologies
- Free [CBB Main](#)



CBB: DATA SOURCES

2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates

- Demographic Characteristics
- Socioeconomic Characteristics
- Housing Characteristics

2012 Economic Census

- Number of Employer Establishments; Employment; Annual Payroll; Sales, Shipments, Receipts, Revenue, Work Done

2014 County Business Patterns

- Number of Employer Establishments, Employment, Annual Payroll

2014 Nonemployer Statistics

- Number of Nonemployer Establishments, Total Revenue

2015 Consumer Spending Data

- Spending on: Dining Out, Entertainment/Recreation, Financial Services, Health Care, Household Services, Housing, Personal Care, Transportation, and Travel

2012 Survey of Business Owners Data (RAE Only)

- Information on selected economic and demographic characteristics for businesses and business owners by gender, ethnicity, race, and veteran status.

Census Business Builder

Small Business Edition

The Small Business Edition offers prospective business owners selected Census Bureau statistics to guide their research into opening their new business or expanding an existing one.



Determine the Best Location for Your Business

1. What type of business do you want to research?

Select your type of business by either selecting from the "Most Popular" broad categories and then from the detailed list provided...



or Search for your type of business

 Industry Title, Keyword, or NAICS Code

2. Where are you considering locating the business?

Select the proposed location for your business by either clicking on the My Location button or by searching for it

My Location

or

 State, County, City/Town, or ZIP Code

Click "Go to Map" to browse the information about your potential customers and competitors for your proposed location and surrounding locations OR...

 Go to Map

... Click "Create Report" to go straight to the report for your type of businesses and location

 Create Report

Change Your Industry

Change Your Location

Select Map Variable

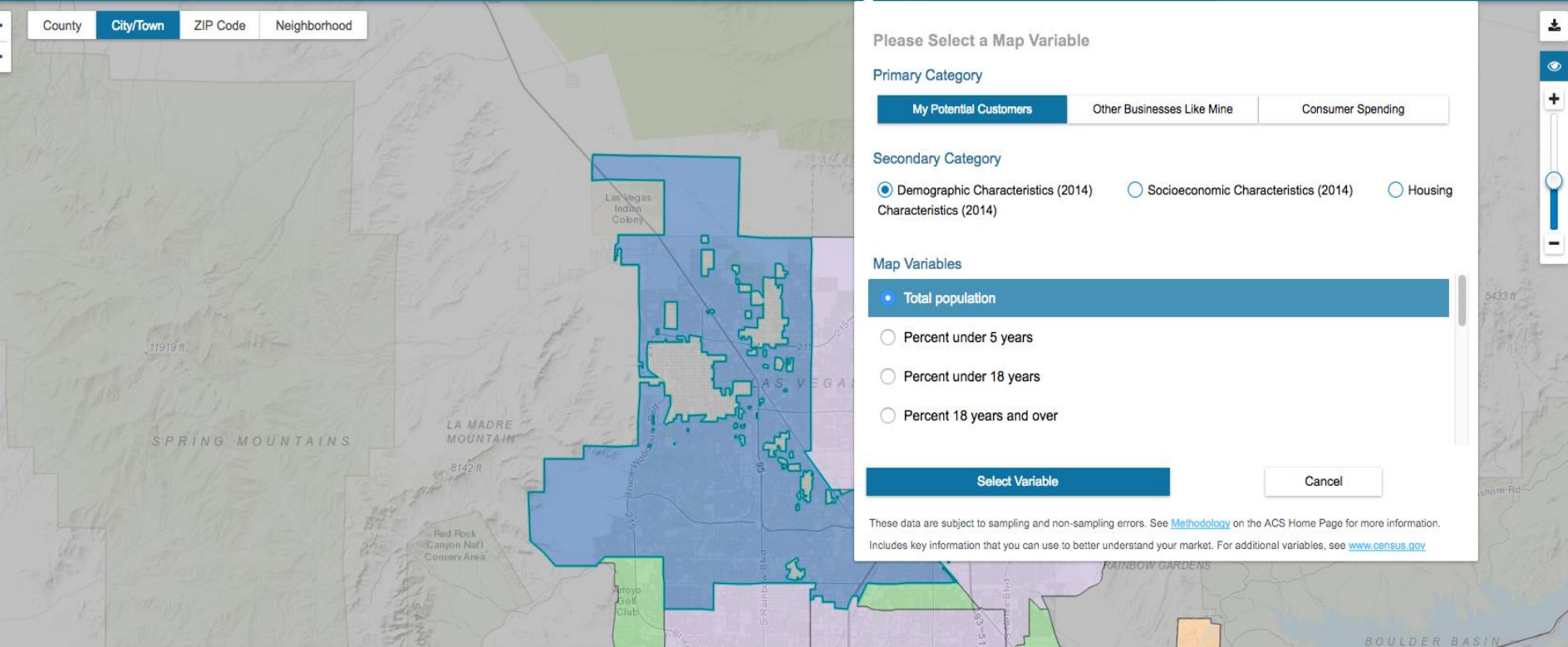
Select Your Filter

Food Services, Food trucks

Las Vegas city, Nevada

Total population

Not Applied



Please Select a Map Variable

Primary Category

My Potential Customers

Other Businesses Like Mine

Consumer Spending

Secondary Category

☒ Demographic Characteristics (2014)

☐ Socioeconomic Characteristics (2014)

☐ Housing Characteristics (2014)

Map Variables

☒ Total population

☐ Percent under 5 years

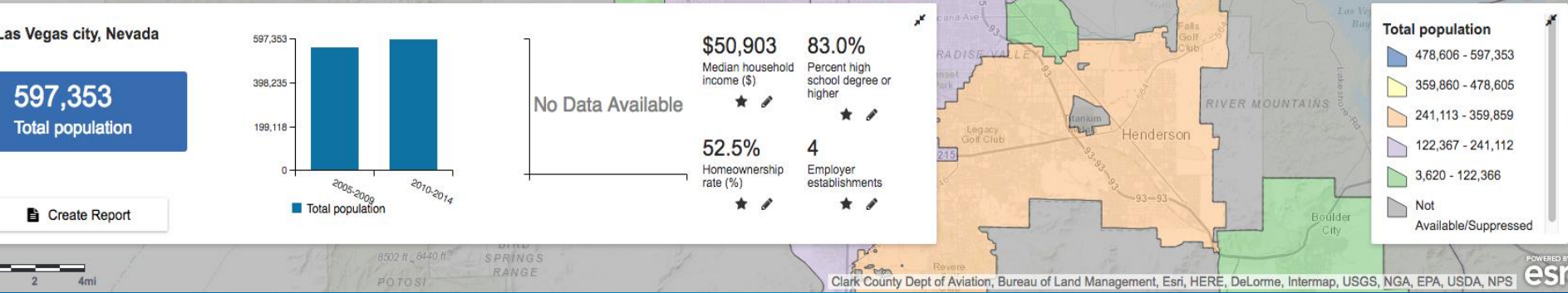
☐ Percent under 18 years

☐ Percent 18 years and over

Select Variable

Cancel

These data are subject to sampling and non-sampling errors. See [Methodology](#) on the ACS Home Page for more information. Includes key information that you can use to better understand your market. For additional variables, see [www.census.gov](#)





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#1: Contents

#2: My Potential Customers

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#4: Consumer Spending

#5: About Data

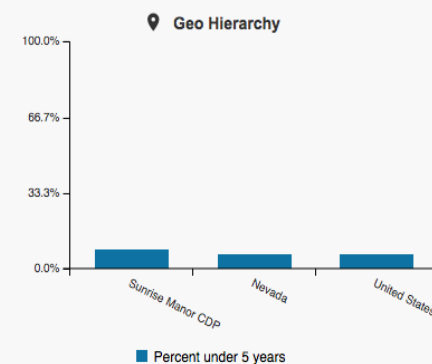
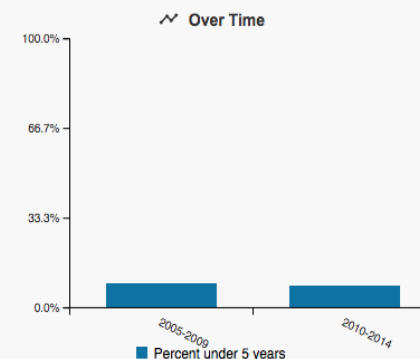
Contents

My Potential Customers

Includes information on total population and population by age, race, and ethnicity from the 2005-2009 and the 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Demographic Characteristics (2014)

Name	Estimate		
Total population	187,647		
Percent under 5 years	8.3%		
Percent under 18 years	28.8%		
Percent 18 years and over	71.2%		
Percent 65 years and over	9.6%		
Percent White	58.76%		
Percent Black or African American	12.12%		
Percent American Indian and Alaska Native	0.61%		
Percent Asian	5.96%		
Percent Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.60%		
Percent some other race	17.67%		
Percent two or more races	4.29%		
Percent Hispanic (of any race)	49.98%		



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Over Time

Census Business Builder: Regional Analyst Edition

The CBB: Regional Analyst Edition allows organizations to easily navigate & use key demographic and economic data to help guide their research into their region by county or city/town.

Define your region

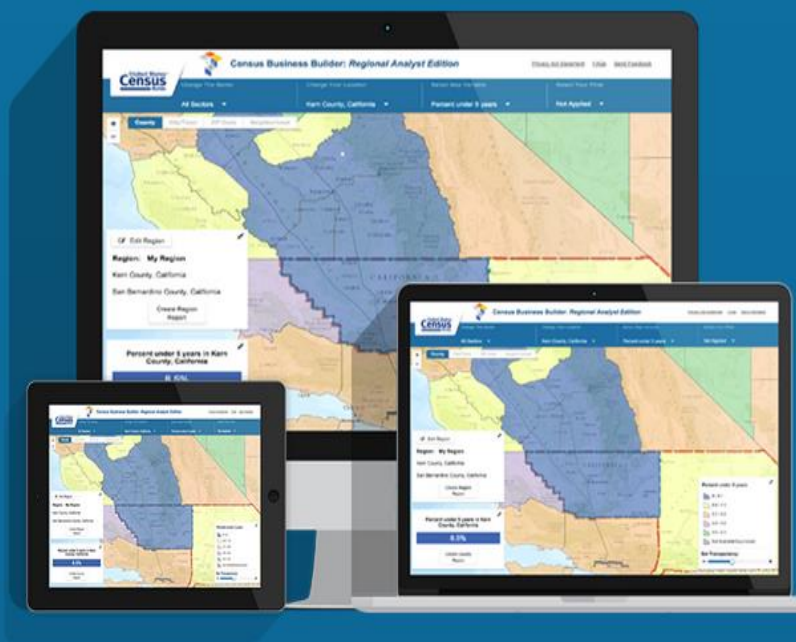
1. What is the primary county or city/town in your region?

Select the primary county or city/town in your region by either clicking on the My Location button or by searching for it

My Location

or

 County or City/Town



Change The Sector

Change Your Location

Select Map Variable

Select Your Filter

All Sectors

Clark County, Nevada

Total population

Not Applied

County City/Town ZIP Code Neighborhood

Please Select a Map Variable

Primary Category

Consumers/Residents

Businesses

Consumer Spending

Secondary Category

☒ Demographic Characteristics (2014)
Characteristics (2014)

☐ Socioeconomic Characteristics (2014)

☐ Housing

Map Variables

☒ Total population

☐ Percent under 5 years

☐ Percent under 18 years

☐ Percent 18 years and over

☐ Percent 65 years and over

Select Variable

Cancel

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Region 1

Clark County, Nevada

2,003,613

Total population

Create County Report

2.8

Average
household size

\$69,106

Average income
(\$)

40,969

Employer
establishments
(County - 2013,
City - 2012)

84.2%

Percent high
school degree or
higher

Change The Sector

Change Your Location

Select Map Variable

Select Your Filter

All Sectors

Esmeralda County, Nevada

Total population

Not Applied

County City/Town ZIP Code Neighborhood

Region: My Region

Esmeralda County, Nevada

Douglas County, Nevada

Mineral County, Nevada

Lincoln County, Nevada

Create Region Report

Edit Region

Esmeralda County,
Nevada

1,041

Total population

Create County Report

2.2

Average
household size

14

Employer
establishments
(County - 2013,
City - 2012)

\$43,148

Average income
(\$)

85.4%

Percent high
school degree or
higher

Total population

1,663,077 - 2,078,586

1,247,568 - 1,663,076

832,059 - 1,247,567

416,550 - 832,058

1,041 - 416,549

Not Available/Suppressed

Set Transparency:

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Census API/City SDK

Application Programming Interface (API)

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Updates

The Census Bureau has begun rolling out our datasets via APIs. Check out our [Discovery Tool](#). Sign up for our [newsletter](#) to get the latest updates and newest dataset addition. We also invite you to make requests for features / data via our forum.

[Read More](#)

CITY SDK



When to use:

The Census application programming interface (API) lets developers create custom apps to reach new users and makes key demographic, socio-economic and housing statistics more accessible than ever before.

census.gov/developers

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a
KEY

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Survey of Business Owners

February 03, 2016

(Non)employer firms, sales/receipts, payroll, employment, by gender, ethnicity, race, veteran status for states, metro/micropolitan areas, counties and places

County Business Patterns and Nonemployer Statistics (2008-2013)

January 27, 2016

Annual statistics on U.S. businesses with and without paid employees or payroll at detailed levels of geography and industry. Both surveys use NAICS codes.

Population Estimates and Projections (2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012)

December 22, 2015

Both programs use births, deaths, and migration to gauge population change since 2010. Estimates are past and present. Projections are future. Geographies vary.

[View All Available APIs](#)

Datasets Available

- Census Bureau's most popular aggregate datasets:
 - ACS Estimates
 - 1, 3, 5-Year Products, Supplemental Tables, Summary Files, Data Profiles
 - Economic Indicators Time Series
 - Decennial Census (SF1/SF3) 1990, 2000, 2010
 - Economic Census 2007, 2012
 - CBP and Nonemployer Statistics 2011-13
 - Population Estimates 2013, 2014 and Projections 2012-2060
 - Business Dynamics Statistics 1972-2012
- Complete list located: <http://api.census.gov/data.html>

What an API URL Looks Like

http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1?get=NAME,B01001_001E&for=state:*

B01001

SEX BY AGE









Universe: Total population 
2014 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

Table View 

Actions:  [Modify Table](#) |  [Add/Remove Geographies](#) |  [Bookmark/Save](#) |  [Print](#) |  [Download](#) |  [Create a Map](#)

Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that provides estimates for states and counties.

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Versions of this table are available for the following years:

2014 ▶

2013

2012

2011

	Alabama		Alaska		Arizona		Arkansas	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Ma E
Total:	4,849,377	*****	736,732	*****	6,731,484	*****	2,966,369	
Male:	2,347,969	+/-5,243	385,582	+/-1,999	3,342,946	+/-2,452	1,456,778	
Under 5 years	150,471	+/-2,593	26,766	+/-1,056	221,202	+/-1,437	98,017	
5 to 9 years	156,723	+/-4,818	27,517	+/-1,814	235,196	+/-5,581	102,369	
10 to 14 years	162,239	+/-5,576	25,859	+/-1,966	231,019	+/-5,535	98,679	

Build the URL

1) Identify the dataset you want to use

- <http://www.census.gov/data/developers/data-sets.html>

2) Identify items needed

- Variables names /variables.html
- Geography codes (usually FIPS)

3) Build the query

- ?get=variable,names,separated,by,commas
- &for=geography level:code

4) Put it all together

- http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1?get=NAME,B01001_001E&for=state:*

How To Do a Query

http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1?get=NAME,B01001_001E&for=state:*

1. Start your query with:

<http://api.census.gov/data>

How To Do a Query

http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1?get=NAME,B01001_001E&for=state:*

2. Add the data year to the URL. This is usually the year the data were collected.

Skip this step for Time Series datasets.

How To Do a Query

[http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1?get=](http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1?get=NAME,B01001_001E&for=state:)
NAME,B01001_001E&for=state:*

3. Add the dataset name.

A full list is available here: <http://api.census.gov/data.html>

How To Do a Query

http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1?get=NAME,B01001_001E&for=state:*

4. Start your query with a ?

How To Do a Query

http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1?get=NAME,B01001_001E&for=state:*

5. Add variables.

A full list is available here:

<http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1/variables.html>

How To Do a Query

http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1?get=NAME,B01001_001E&for=state:*

6. Add geography.

A full list is available here:

<http://api.census.gov/data/2014/acs1/geography.html>

Output

Returns data in json format that looks like this:

```
[["NAME","B01001_001E","state"],  
["Alabama","4849377","01"],  
["Alaska","736732","02"],  
["Arizona","6731484","04"],  
["Arkansas","2966369","05"],  
["California","38802500","06"]...
```

The response for all queries is formatted as a two dimensional JSON array where the first row provides column names and subsequent rows provide data values.

CITYSDK

- Interactive Query Builder
- Example
- Census Module

CitySDK Project Page:

<http://uscensusbureau.github.io/citysdk/>

[Tutorial](#)

Resources

- Dataset Discovery tool:
 - <http://api.census.gov/data.html>
 - <http://api.census.gov/data.xml>
 - <http://api.census.gov/data.json>
- Census developer page:
 - <http://www.census.gov/developers/>
- Convert JSON to CSV data:
 - <http://www.convertcsv.com/json-to-csv.htm>

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Visit data.census.gov and provide your feedback!

Please remember:

- *This is an early preview; phased releases will continue as we develop, test, and incorporate user feedback.*
- *For official Census Bureau data, continue to use the tools available on [Census.gov](https://census.gov).*

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youtube.com/user/uscensusbureau

Source us:

“U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey”

YYYY-YYYY American Community Survey 1//5-year estimates/statistics/data release

- 2015 American Community Survey 1-year estimates
- 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-year estimates

Resources: Need Assistance?

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Questions?

